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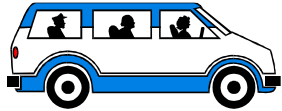
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## International scam hits Hoopeston: sheriff's investigator

A Vermilion County sheriff's investigator is warning local residents about an international scam.

A Hoopeston area person recently received a letter from Lagos, Nigeria, requesting the resident provide his bank account number, as well as his banker's name, address and fax number, said Investigator Mark Drollinger.

The letter claims the information is needed to transfer more than \$26 million from a Nigerian bank, with 20 percent of that amount to be paid to the local resident.

The letter is signed by a Dr. Victor Osigwe, who claims to be a top official of the Nigerian Federal Government Contract Review Panel trying to import

goods into Nigeria.

While the letter sounds official, it is not, Drollinger said. "We get seven or eight of these every year at the sheriff's department," he said.

Names of local people come from mailing lists the scam artists purchase from companies. "(The lists) are sold by companies they trust the most, like AARP," he said.

Residents receiving similar letters should "ignore it," Drollinger said. "There's not a lot (the sheriff's department) can do about it, quite honestly."

Individuals are not the only ones to receive such letters. "A lot of municipalities have gotten faxes almost exactly like this from Nigeria," he said.

## Briefly

### Music Booster winners

Winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster drawing are: Nov. 24, Terry Field, Wellington; Nov. 25, Esther Sheehan, Hoopeston; Nov. 26, John and Juanita Haughee, Hoopeston; Nov. 27, Marilyn Tyler, Rankin; Nov. 28, Jane Gooch, Wellington.

1998 Music Booster calendars are available from any music booster or music student at school.

A calendar sales telethon will be held Dec. 1-4.

### Multi Agency van schedule

This week's van schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Monday, Hoopeston shuttle; Tuesday, Lafayette, Ind., (leave at 9 a.m.); Wednesday Danville; Thursday and Friday, office closed.

For more information or to arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544.

The only activity scheduled this week is ladies bridge at noon Monday. The office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### Coats, shoes needed

The Hoopeston Multi Agency needs coats and shoes for area disadvantaged children. Items may be taken to the agency, 206 S. First Ave., between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

### Yuletide dinner

The Rossville-Alvin High School Student Council invites all senior citizens from the school district to be their guests at a Yuletide Dinner on Dec. 9 in the high school gym.

The event will begin at 11 a.m. with season music, followed by the dinner at noon.

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## Court Dispositions

**Nov. 6: Chad Johnson**, Hoopeston, DUI, illegal transportation; pretrial Feb. 2, 1998.

**Larry Lawson**, Oak Lawn, driving while license revoked; pretrial Feb. 10, 1998.

**Marvin Tull**, Rankin, driving while license suspended, uninsured, illegal transportation; nolle pros all charges.

**Donald Allison**, Alvin, following too close, pleaded guilty, \$95 total; improper overtaking and expired registration, nolle pros.

**Jeremy Allison**, Alvin, improper lane usage, pleaded guilty; \$95, three months court supervision.

**Antune Arturo**, Rankin, uninsured; nolle pros.

**Jose Barron**, Hoopeston, paid \$95 in full.

**Betty Benson**, Hoopeston, uninsured, pleaded guilty; \$657 total, one year court supervision.

**Daniel Bridgman**, Hoopeston, to pay \$190; failed to appear.

**Angela Burke**, Hoopeston, to pay \$95; continued to Dec. 4.

**Faust Calderson**, Bridgeview, speeding, pleaded not guilty; bench trial Dec. 4.

**William Clayburn**, Hoopeston, uninsured, nolle pros; speeding, pleaded guilty, \$95 total, three months court supervision.

**Andres Cruz**, Chicago, speeding; forfeited bond.

**Austin Dale**, Wellington, illegal sound system, pleaded not guilty; bench trial Dec. 4.

**Lillian Finley**, Danville, uninsured, nolle pros; speeding, pleaded guilty, \$150 total.

**Jason Fairchild**, Wellington, illegal transportation,

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## Obituaries

**DUIES** -Ruby V. Duies, 88, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 8:45 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997 at the Imboden Creek Living Center, Decatur. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Brown-Alkire Funeral Home.

**QUINN** - Estel Quinn, 91, of Hoopeston, died at 6:36 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997, at Danville Care Center, Danville. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon to 12:50 p.m. Monday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home.

## Weather

Sunny today. High 35. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 18. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy, warmer. High 44, low 26.